

## CLAIMS

1. A method of keying, in a space presenting two spatial dimensions and one temporal dimension, a signal S measured in positions U subject to an uncertainty, from a set of N signals measured in determined positions, the N + 1 signals having their temporal origin in a same plane, said method comprising the steps of
  - re-sampling the N + 1 signals in order to place them all in an identical sampling range;
  - filtering the signal S in order to place it in a range of frequencies that is identical to that of the N signals;
  - defining for each position U associated with the measurements of the signal S a same neighbourhood of places V in the spatio-temporal space centred on the position U;
  - producing a layered neural network  $RN^V$  for each location V in the neighbourhood of U, each network having an entry vector of dimension N associated with the measurements of the N signals and a scalar exit associated with a measurement of the signal S;
  - for each neural network  $RN^V$ , defining a learning set such that the entries are the collection of all the vectors of measurements of the N signals situated at the locations V and the exits are the collection of the values of the signal S at the positions U for all the positions U;
  - fixing a predetermined number of iterations  $N_{it}$  for all the neural networks and launching the learning phases of all the networks;
  - for each neural network  $RN^V$ , calculating the value of the integral  $\sum^V$  of the function giving the error committed by the network at each iteration, from iteration 1 to iteration  $N_{it}$ ;

- for each surface spatial position  $V_k$  of the neighbourhood with coordinates  $(x_k, y_k, t_0)$ , selecting in the time dimension the pair of locations  $V1_k(x_k, y_k, t_1)$ ,  $V2_k(x_k, y_k, t_2)$ , of the neighbourhood which correspond to the two smallest local minima of the two integrals  $(\sum_k^{v1}, \sum_k^{v2})$ ;
- for each surface spatial position  $V_k$  of the neighbourhood, retaining from among the two positions  $V1_k(x_k, y_k, t_1)$ ,  $V2_k(x_k, y_k, t_2)$  the position  $V_m$ , for which the signal estimated by the respective neural networks  $RN_k^{v1}$  and  $RN_k^{v2}$  presents a maximum variance; and
- choosing from among the positions  $V_m$  the position  $V_{cal}$  for which the integral  $\sum_m^v$  is minimum.

2. The method according to claim 1, wherein the use of the neural networks comprises:

- defining for each position  $U$  associated with the measurements of the signal  $S$  a same neighbourhood of places  $V$  in the spatio-temporal space centred on the position  $U$ ;
- producing a layered neural network  $RN^v$  for each location  $V$  in the neighbourhood of  $U$ . each network having an entry vector of dimension  $N \times M$  associated with the measurements on a time window of size  $M$  centred on  $V$  of the  $N$  signals and a scalar exit associated with a value of the signal  $S$ ;
- for each neural network, defining a learning set such that the entries are the collection of all the vectors of measurements taken in a time window of size  $M$  centred on  $V$  for the  $N$  signals and the exits are the collection of the values of the signal  $S$  at the positions  $U$  for all the positions  $U$ ;
- fixing a predetermined number of iterations  $Nit$  for all the neural networks and launching the learning phases of all the networks;

- for each neural network  $RN^v$ , calculating the value of the integral  $\sum^v$  of the function giving the error committed by the network at each iteration, from iteration 1 to iteration Nit;

- for each surface spatial position  $V_k$  of the neighbourhood with coordinates  $(x_k, y_k, t_0)$ , selecting in the time dimension the pair of locations  $V1_k(x_k, y_k, t_1)$ ,  $V2_k(x_k, y_k, t_2)$ , of the neighbourhood which correspond to the two smallest local minima of the two integrals  $(\sum^{v1}_k, \sum^{v2}_k)$ ;

- for each surface spatial position  $V_k$  of the neighbourhood, retaining from among the two positions  $V1_k(x_k, y_k, t_1)$ ,  $V2_k(x_k, y_k, t_2)$  the position  $V_m$ , for which the signal estimated by the respective neural networks  $RN^{v1}_k$  and  $RN^{v2}_k$  presents a maximum variance; and

- choosing from among the  $V_m$  positions the position  $V_{eal}$  for which the integral  $\sum^v_m$  is minimum.